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Lend your voice to our Legislative process! This newsletter highlights bills currently under consideration by the Howard County Council and links to those bills where available. To promote an engaged citizenry, I encourage you to review this information and share your comments on Council bills by submitting testimony to councilmail@howardcountymd.gov. You may also submit testimony in person during the Council's Public Hearing, generally held the 3rd Monday of each month. To sign-up in advance to testify, click [here](#).

I hope you find this newsletter informative and use this opportunity to become an integral part of our legislative process.



Legislative
Update

LEGISLATIVE HIGHLIGHTS

SPONSORED LEGISLATION

The following legislation has been prefiled and will be introduced at the November 7th Legislative Session.

CR179-2016

Introduced by: Calvin Ball and Jen Terrasa
A RESOLUTION calling on the Maryland State Department of Education to contract for a performance audit of the Howard County Public School System and specifying the issues requested to be studied.

CR180-2016

Introduced by: Calvin Ball
A RESOLUTION calling on the Human Rights Commission to study the recruitment, hiring, retention, and promotion practices of certain units of the Howard County government, the Howard County Sheriff, and the Howard County Public School System, submit a report and make recommendations; and generally relating to discriminatory practices in Howard County.



Howard County Council Legislation

The following legislation is introduced by the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive unless otherwise noted.

PREFILED LEGISLATION

All prefiled legislation scheduled to be introduced at this month's legislative session can be viewed by clicking [here](#).

APPOINTMENTS

[CR163-2016](#)

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Robert F. Ford, Jr. to the Human Rights Commission.

[CR164-2016](#)

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Edward Glawe to the Cemetery Preservation Advisory Board.

[CR165-2016](#)

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Elizabeth S. Homan to the Housing Commission.

[CR166-2016](#)

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Weiwei Jia to the Howard County Design Advisory Panel.

[CR167-2016](#)

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Jack Kavanagh to the Local Government Justice Reinvestment Commission.

[CR168-2016](#)

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Fred S. Marino to the Howard County Design Advisory Panel.

[CR169-2016](#)

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Neveen H. McLeod to the Commission for Women.

[CR171-2016](#)

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of John F. Tenerowicz to the Board to Promote Self-Sufficiency.

[CR172-2016](#)

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Kui Zhao to the Human Rights Commission.

[CR173-2016](#)

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Nathaniel Alston, Jr. to the Equal Business Opportunity Commission.

[CR174-2016](#)

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Roger L. Barnes to the Equal Business Opportunity Commission.

[CR175-2016](#)

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Cynthia Coburn to the Commission on Disability Issues.

[CR176-2016](#)

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Arthur C. Gold to the Commission on Disability Issues.

[CR177-2016](#)

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Margaret Kim to the Equal Business Opportunity Commission.

CR170-2016

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Naveed S. Mian to the Howard County Local Children's Board.

CR178-2016

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Lanlan Xu to the Commission for Women.

GENERAL

CR180-2016

Introduced by: Calvin Ball
A RESOLUTION calling on the Human Rights Commission to study the recruitment, hiring, retention, and promotion practices of certain units of the Howard County government, the Howard County Sheriff, and the Howard County public School System, submit a report and make recommendations; and generally relating to discriminatory practices in Howard County.

CR181-2016

Introduced by: Calvin Ball
A RESOLUTION calling on the Equal Business Opportunity Commission to make certain studies related to the County's Equal Business Opportunity Program and purchasing practices, to study polices and experiences of other jurisdictions with respect to contracting and purchasing and the use of businesses owned by women, minorities, and individuals with disabilities; to recommend to the County Council measures to improve the County's purchasing policies and practices; and generally relating to fostering equal business opportunities for businesses owned by women, minorities, and individuals with disabilities in Howard County.

CR182-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION pursuant to Sections 16.301 and 16.200(a) of the Howard County Code, granting a variance for government uses from certain height requirements for the construction of a compost facility at the Alpha Ridge Landfill located at 2350 Marriottsville Road.

TAO2-FY2017

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the Board of Education
AN ACT transferring of a total of \$1,700,000 between capital projects in the Board of Education capital budget for Fiscal Year 2017.

CB70-2016

Introduced by: Mary Kay Sigaty
AN Act establishing a special, non-lapsing Reserve Fund for Permanent Public Improvements; specifying the components, purposes, and uses of the Fund; providing a

CB75-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
AN ACT establishing a tax credit against the County tax imposed on real property that is owned by individuals who are at least 65 years of age and have lived in the same dwelling for the preceding 40 years or who are at least 65 years of age and a retired member of the Armed Forces of the United States, under certain conditions; establishing the amount, terms, conditions, and duration of the credit; providing for an application procedure and administration of the credit; and generally relating to real property tax credits.

CB76-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
AN ACT approving and providing for a multi-year Installment Purchase Agreement by Howard County, Maryland to acquire development rights in approximately 29.62 acres of agricultural land located at 3844 Jennings Chapel Road, Woodbine, Howard County, Maryland, from the John J. and Beatrice H. Iglehart Living Trust or any other owner thereof for a maximum purchase price of \$797,400.00 or, if less, not more than \$26,921.00 per acre or portion thereof, rounded to the next highest \$100, plus interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price; providing that the County's obligation to pay such purchase price and interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price shall be a full faith and credit general obligation of the County; providing for the levying of taxes for such payments; authorizing the County Executive to modify such Agreement; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

CB77-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
AN ACT approving and providing for a multi-year Installment Purchase Agreement by Howard County, Maryland to acquire development rights in approximately 166.82 acres of agricultural land located at 15325 Leondina Drive, Glenwood, Howard County, Maryland, from Cattail Meadows, LLC or any other owner thereof for a maximum purchase price of \$6,584,100.00 or, if less, not more than \$39,468.00 per acre or portion thereof,

limit on the size of annual payments to the Fund; and generally relating to financing public improvements in the County.

CB71-2016 (ZRA 167)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of Elisa Kamens

AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations Conditional Use section to clarify that indoor noises at Pet Day Care Facilities Conditional Uses must not be detectable at the lot lines; and generally relating to Pet Day Care Facilities Conditional Uses.

CB72-2016 (ZRA 168)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of Demirel Plaza, LLC

AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations Office Transition (OT) section to add several new uses to be allowed as a matter of right; amending the Conditional Use section to allow Child Day Care Centers and Nursery Schools, Day Treatment and Care Facilities and Pet Day Care Facilities as Conditional Uses in the Office Transition (OT) district; and generally relating to the Office Transition (OT) section.

CB73-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money an additional aggregate principal amount of up to \$1,700,000 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds therefor, to be used to pay costs of various capital projects, more particularly described in the County's 2017 Capital Budget, and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds; authorizing the County to issue bond anticipation notes or to enter into installment purchase agreements for payment of portions of such costs; and to levy taxes upon the assessable property within the County sufficient, together with other available funds, to pay the debt service on such obligations; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

CB74-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT amending the age of eligibility for the property tax credit for senior citizens; making certain technical corrections; and generally related to the real property tax credit for senior citizens.

rounded to the next highest \$100, plus interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price; providing that the County's obligation to pay such purchase price and interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price shall be a full faith and credit general obligation of the County; providing for the levying of taxes for such payments; authorizing the County Executive to modify such Agreement; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

CB78-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT approving and providing for a multi-year Installment Purchase Agreement by Howard County, Maryland to acquire development rights in approximately 109.07 acres of agricultural land located at 755 East Watersville Road, Mt. Airy, Howard County, Maryland, from the Stanley Matthew Pickett Revocable Trust or any other owner thereof for a maximum purchase price of \$3,404,600.00 or, if less, not more than \$31,214.40 per acre or portion thereof, rounded to the next highest \$100, plus interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price; providing that the County's obligation to pay such purchase price and interest on the deferred portion of such purchase price shall be a full faith and credit general obligation of the County; providing for the levying of taxes for such payments; authorizing the County Executive to modify such Agreement; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

CB79-2016

Introduced by: Jon Weinstein and Calvin Ball
AN Act requiring that the Howard County Design Manual Volume I (Storm Drainage) be used for a specified purpose; mandating a specified figure for rainfall for certain 100 year storms; requiring certain periodic reviews; providing that this Act shall apply to a specified area at a specified time; generally relating to stormwater management in Howard County; and making this Act an emergency measure.

CURRENT LEGISLATION

Legislation below is currently pending and under consideration by the County Council. Action

APPOINTMENTS

[CR116-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Edward Coleman to the Planning Board.

[CR117-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of James Gregory Jolissaint to the Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families.

[CR118-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Robert Lowell to the Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families.

[CR119-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Robert Moore to the Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families.

[CR120-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Craig Porterfield to the Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families.

[CR121-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Gene Ryan to the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board.

[CR122-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Ronnie Sanderson to the Advisory Board on Consumer Protection.

[CR123-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Christopher Williams to the Howard County Commission for Veterans and Military Families.

[CR124-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

[CR138-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Tracey L. Williams to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.

[CR139-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of William Alexion to the Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities.

[CR140-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Robert Baynard to the Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities.

[CR141-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Elizabeth Benevides to the Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities.

[CR142-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Patrick Boxall to the Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities.

[CR143-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Katie Collins-Ihrke to the Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities.

[CR144-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Chris Glover to the Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities.

[CR145-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Ananta Hejeebu to the Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities.

[CR146-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Colette Jackson to the Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities.

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Victoria Airapetian to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.

CR125-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Bessie Bordenave to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.

CR126-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Maryam Elhabashy to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.

CR127-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Sonja Hamada to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.

CR128-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Carline Harper to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.

CR129-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Yetta Harper to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.

CR130-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Bert J. Hash, Jr. to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.

CR131-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Jonah Hornum to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.

CR132-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Helaine Jeffers to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.

CR133-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Roberta Kelly to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.

CR134-2016

CR147-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Kathy Land to the Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities.

CR148-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Mary Manzoni to the Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities.

CR149-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Cindy Parr to the Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities.

CR150-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Dana Shourbaji to the Commission for Transitioning Students with Disabilities.

CR151-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of J. Michael Bennett to the Cemetery Preservation Advisory Board.

CR152-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Michael Couch to the Board to Promote Self-Sufficiency.

CR153-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Ankur Dalal to the Board of Library Trustees.

CR154-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Joan Driessen to the Board to Promote Self-Sufficiency.

CR155-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Lisa L. Jablonover to the Board to Promote Self-Sufficiency.

CR156-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Elizabeth Anne Larney to the Cemetery Preservation Advisory Board.

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Rev. Rodney T. Morton to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.

CR135-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Namrata Nagarajan to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.

CR136-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Patricia Thorne to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.

CR137-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Kurt Wall to the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Commission.

CR157-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Sujit Mishra to the Howard County Design Advisory Panel.

CR158-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Louise B. Riemer to the Board of Library Trustees.

CR162-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Andra Cain to the Board to Promote Self-Sufficiency.

GENERAL

CB66-2016

Introduced by: Calvin Ball and Jon Weinstein
AN ACT establishing a tax credit against the County property tax imposed on residential real property that has suffered flood damage or sewage damage caused by flood conditions under certain circumstances; establishing the amount, terms, conditions, and duration of the credit; providing for an application procedure and administration of the credit; and generally relating to property tax credits.

CB67-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
AN ACT providing that certain minor alterations are exempt from the Historic Preservation Commission certificate of approval requirement; defining certain terms; clarifying that there shall be an Executive Secretary of the Historic Preservation Commission; adding that certain landscape features are eligible property for reasons of qualifying for certain tax credits; making certain technical corrections; generally related to Historic Preservation in Howard County; and making this Act an Emergency Bill.

CB68-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
AN ACT amending the duties and responsibilities of the Agricultural Land Preservation Board; and generally relating to the Agricultural Land Preservation Board.

CB69-2016

CR159-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION approving a list of Howard County residents to be sent to the Governor, in accordance with State law, so that the Governor may choose one of the residents from the list to fill a vacancy on the Property Tax Assessment Appeal Board.

CR160-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 5-301 of the Education Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, approving the Howard County Board of Education's Capital Budget Request for Fiscal Year 2018 and Capital Improvement Program Request for Fiscal Years 2019-2023 for the purpose of submission to the Interagency Committee on School Construction.

CR161-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION amending the Food Service Facilities Regulations; defining certain terms; amending certain definitions; amending certain temperature requirements; amending certain provisions that relate to shellfish and crab meat, eggs and egg products, food protection, food preparation, food storage, and lighting; adding requirements for food preparation-cooking; requiring certain consumer advisories; requiring a Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point Plan; amending provisions related to

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
AN ACT providing that the ad valorem charge may be a source of funds for water and sewer capital projects; making certain technical corrections, and generally relating to the ad valorem charge.

facilities on certain types of water systems; making certain technical corrections; and generally related to food service facilities regulations in Howard County.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING IN DOWNTOWN COLUMBIA

CB43-2016

Introduced by: Jen Terrasa
AN ACT amending the Downtown Columbia Plan to establish an Affordable Housing Inclusionary Zoning provision for Downtown Columbia, under certain conditions; amending certain Community Enhancements, Programs, and Public Amenities (CEPPAs) requirements regarding affordable housing; and generally relating to planning, zoning and land use in Howard County.
Status: *TABLED*

CB44-2016

Introduced by: Jen Terrasa
AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations' New Town (NT) District Downtown Revitalization regulations to include a 15 percent Affordable Housing Inclusionary Zoning provision for Downtown Columbia, under certain conditions; and generally relating to the NT District. AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations' New Town (NT) District Downtown Revitalization regulations to include a 15 percent Affordable Housing Inclusionary Zoning provision for Downtown Columbia, under certain conditions; and generally relating to the NT District.
Status: *TABLED*

CB45-2016

Introduced by: Jen Terrasa
AN ACT amending the Howard County Code's Downtown Columbia provisions regarding affordable housing payments required by Community Enhancements, Programs, and Public Amenities (CEPPAs) to reflect an inclusionary zoning provision for Downtown Columbia; and generally relating to affordable housing in Downtown Columbia.
Status: *TABLED*

CB52-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
AN ACT amending the Downtown Columbia Plan, a General Plan Amendment, to revise the Downtown Columbia affordable housing program; setting forth methods for the development of affordable housing; revising the Downtown Revitalization Phasing Progression to reflect the timing of affordable housing development; amending certain Community Enhancements, Programs and Public Amenities to reflect the methods for the

CB56-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
AN ORDINANCE levying and providing for the collection of a special tax on property within the special taxing district in the downtown Columbia area of Howard County, Maryland known as the "Crescent Special Taxing District" (the "Special Taxing District") pursuant to the Rate and Method identified herein and for various matters relating thereto; authorizing and empowering the County to issue up to \$90,000,000 of its special obligation bonds at a maximum interest rate not to exceed 12% per annum in order to finance or reimburse the cost of certain public improvements relating to the Special Taxing District and the Development District (as defined herein) and other costs permitted under the Acts (as identified herein); providing that such bonds and the interest thereon shall never constitute a general obligation of the County or a pledge of its full faith and credit; providing for the further specification, prescription, determination, provision for or approval of various other matters, details, documents and procedures in connection with the authorization, issuance, security, sale and payment for any such bonds; making certain legislative findings; and generally providing for the levy, imposition, collection and application of such special tax and the issuance of an initial series of bonds in accordance with the Acts identified herein.

Status:
TABLED

CR103-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION approving and authorizing the execution of a Development Rights and Responsibilities Agreement by Howard Research And Development Corporation and Howard County in accordance with Title 16, Subtitle 17 of the Howard County Code; authorizing the Executive to make changes to the Agreement, under certain conditions; authorizing the County Executive to execute the Agreement; providing for the effective date of this Resolution, and generally relating to the Agreement.

Status:
TABLED

development of affordable housing; and generally relating to planning, zoning and land use in Howard County.
Status: *TABLED*

CB53-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
AN ACT amending PlanHoward 2030, the general plan for Howard County, in order to amend the number of housing unit allocations available to developers of new residential units in Downtown Columbia for the period 2015 - 2030; and generally relating to planning, zoning and land use in Howard County.
Status: *TABLED*

CB54-2016 (ZRA170)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
AN ACT requiring a new configuration of affordable housing in Downtown Columbia under certain conditions with certain alternatives; amending and providing for certain parking requirements related to residential units in Downtown Columbia; providing certain requirements for certain plans; requiring that certain types of construction provide for art in the community; and generally relating to the Howard County Zoning Regulations.
Status: *TABLED*

CB55-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
AN ACT amending the County Code by clarifying that certain moderate income housing units are provided in certain Zoning Districts as required by the Howard County Zoning Regulations or when required by certain plans; exempting Downtown Columbia from a certain provision of the Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance; amending certain payments for affordable housing required by each developer of residential property within Downtown Columbia under certain conditions; and generally relating to development in Downtown Columbia.
Status: *TABLED*

CR104-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, authorizing the County Executive's sale of certain real property known as the "Flier Building" owned by Howard County, Maryland, containing approximately 2.159 acres, and located at 10750 Little Patuxent Parkway, Maryland; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to sell the property if he finds that it may have a further public use.
Status:
TABLED

CR105-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION adopted pursuant to Sections 12-201 et seq. of the Economic Development Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland (the "Tax Increment Financing Act") and Sections 21-501 et seq. of the Local Government Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland (the "Special Taxing District Act", and collectively with the Tax Increment Financing Act, the "Acts") providing for the designation of contiguous property in the downtown Columbia area of Howard County as a development district for purposes of the Tax Increment Financing Act (the "Development District") and for the designation of a separate area within the development district as a special taxing district for the purposes of the Special Taxing District Act (the "Special Taxing District", and collectively with the Development District, the "Districts"); creating certain special funds pursuant to the Acts; providing for the deposit and use of moneys in such special funds; pledging that the County will allocate and divide property taxes on real property within the Development District so that the portion of the real property taxes levied on the amount by which the assessable base of the real property in the Development District exceeds the original taxable value (the "Tax Increment") will be allocated and paid into one of the special funds, and providing for the levy and collection of special taxes or ad valorem taxes to be deposited to the other special fund in the event the real property taxes levied on the Tax Increment are or will be insufficient to pay debt service on certain bonds issued under the Acts; and providing for, finding, and determining matters in connection therewith.
Status:
TABLED

PRIOR LEGISLATION

All legislation voted on during the previous month can be found online using the legislative

APPOINTMENTS

[CR94-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Charmayne Anderson to the Howard County Local Children's Board.
Status: *PASSED*

[CR95-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Misbah Farooqi to the Human Rights Commission.
Status: *PASSED*

[CR96-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Cynthia Gula to the Board of Directors of the Economic Development Authority.
Status: *PASSED*

[CR97-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Matthew K. Lee to the Equal Business Opportunity Commission.
Status: *PASSED*

[CR98-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Paul Lin to the Environmental Sustainability Board.
Status: *PASSED*

[CR99-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Megha Sharma to the Commission for Women.
Status: *PASSED*

[CR100-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Young Ran Smith to the Advisory Board on Consumer Protection.
Status: *PASSED*

GENERAL

[CR108-2016](#)

Introduced by: Jon Weinstein, Calvin Ball, Jennifer Terrasa, Mary Kay Sigaty and Greg Fox at the request of the County Executive
A RESOLUTION extending the State of Emergency declared by Executive Order issued on July 30, 2016, which related to a severe flooding event, and requesting a certain report.
Status: *PASSED*

[CR109-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson
A RESOLUTION calling the County Council of Howard County, Maryland into legislative session on September 19, 2016.
Status: *PASSED*

[CR110-2016](#)

Introduced by: Calvin Ball
A RESOLUTION requesting that the Environmental Sustainability Board expand the scope of its review of studies regarding mold in Howard County Public Schools to include review of the various reports conducted by Skelly and Loy, Inc. on behalf of

[CB60-2016 \(ZRA 165\)](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of Robert Haney
AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations Conditional Use section to create a new Athletic Facilities, Commercial Conditional Use in the RC and RR zoning districts; and generally relating to Athletic Facilities, Commercial.
Status: *PASSED*

[CB61-2016](#)

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive
AN ORDINANCE authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of up to \$100,000,000 consolidated public improvement bonds and up to \$25,000,000 metropolitan district bonds, pursuant to various bond enabling laws; providing that such bonds shall be general obligations of the County; authorizing the County Executive to specify, prescribe, determine, provide for or approve the final principal amounts, maturity schedules, interest rates and redemption provisions for such bonds, and other matters, details, forms,

the Howard County Department of Public Works; and extending the timeframe for submitting the report to the County Council and County Executive.
Status: *PASSED*

CR111-2016

Introduced by: Mary Kay Sigaty and Jon Weinstein

A RESOLUTION amending the Howard County Council Rules of Procedure to clarify that there is no legislative session in August and to indicate that the session in December is only to take specified actions.

Status: *PASSED*

CR112-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson

A RESOLUTION acknowledging receipt of the annual report of the Howard County Retirement Plan and the Police and Fire Employees' Retirement Plan submitted by the Pension Oversight Commission.

Status: *PASSED*

CR113-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION endorsing the provision of financing by the State Department of Commerce for an economic development project in Howard County and certifying that the project is consistent with the County's plan for economic development.

Status: *PASSED*

CR114-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION declaring that a total of approximately 0.215 acres of real property owned by Howard County, Maryland located off of MD Route 216 and commonly shown as Parcel 288 on Tax Map 46 is no longer needed for a public purpose and authorizing the County Executive to waive the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code in order to sell the property to the owner of the adjacent property; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to sell the property if he finds that the land may have a further public use.

Status: *PASSED*

SAO1-FY17

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT transferring \$69,624.00 from the Grant Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Department of Police for a grant to fund a Heroin Coordinator position.

Status: *PASSED*

CB59-2016 (ZRA 164)

Introduced by: Calvin Ball

AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations to remove certain restrictions that limit the size of Commercial Solar Facilities on

documents or procedures and to determine the method of sale of such bonds; providing for the disbursement of the proceeds of such bonds and for the levying of taxes to pay debt service on such bonds; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

Status: *PASSED*

CB62-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ORDINANCE authorizing and providing for the issuance of Howard County, Maryland Consolidated Public Improvement Refunding Bonds and Howard County, Maryland Metropolitan District Refunding Bonds; providing that such bonds shall be general obligations of the County; providing for the disbursement of the proceeds of such bonds and the levying of taxes to pay debt service on such bonds; providing for the private (negotiated) sale of such bonds; providing for an escrow deposit agreement and a continuing disclosure agreement; authorizing the County Executive to specify, prescribe, determine, provide for or approve the final principal amounts, maturity schedules, interest rates and redemption provisions for such bonds, the final list of refunded bonds, and certain other matters, details, forms, documents or procedures; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

Status: *PASSED*

CB63-2016

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT amending the Classification Plan for Howard County; amending the Fair Labor Standards Act designation for certain positions in order to comply with Federal law; and generally relating to amendments to the Howard County Classification Plan.

Status: *PASSED*

CB65-2016

Introduced by: Jon Weinstein

AN ACT temporarily prohibiting issuance of certain permits for certain development within a specified area of Howard County; finding that development in the Tiber-Hudson Watershed may be a contributing factor to flooding in Historic Ellicott City and thus may be a threat to the public health, safety and welfare; requesting the Department of Planning Zoning and other County agencies to study and report certain matters and make recommendations regarding such matters; providing that the purposes of this Act are to provide the Department of Planning and Zoning and other County agencies with time to study whether development in the specified area needs to be further restricted or modified and to make recommendations for improvement, and to give the County Council time to act on the recommendations; defining certain terms; providing certain exemptions from the Act;

County Preservation Parcels and allow Commercial Solar Facilities as a Conditional Use on RR and RC zoned properties, under certain conditions; and generally relating to Commercial Solar Facilities.

Status: *PASSED (as amended)*

establishing certain processes on the development review and permitting processes; providing that this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect after a certain period; and generally relating to land use, permitting activities, storm water management, drainage and flood mitigation.

Status: *TABLED*

The Process

The County Council is responsible for adopting the laws of the County. The legislative process generally follows a monthly cycle:

- 1st Monday - New legislation is introduced; legislation from prior month is given final consideration
- 3rd Monday - Public hearing on legislation introduced that month
- 4th Monday - Legislative work session, if needed
- 1st Monday - New legislation is introduced; legislation from prior month is given final consideration

Council bills must be signed or vetoed by the County Executive within 10 days of the Council's presentation of passed legislation.

I encourage our residents to stay tuned in if these topics are of interest to you. As always, I hope you have found this information insightful, and I encourage you to share this newsletter with your neighbors.

All the best,



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